fever and diphtheria in the District of Co-lumbia, approved December 20, 1830, and the act to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in the District of Columbia, approved March 3, 1897, including purchas and maintenance of necessary horses, wag-ons and harness, to continue available dur-ing the fiscal year 1904, \$10,000.

For expenses for maintenance of the jall of the District of Columbia, and for support of prisoners therein, to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1902, \$635.57.

Except as otherwise provided, one-half of the foregoing amounts to meet deficiencies in the appropriations on account of the District of Columbia shall be paid from the revenues of the District of Columbia and one-half from any money in the treas-ury not otherwise appropriated

For Anti-Trust Prosecutions.

A provision is inserted in the deficiency bill authorizing the President to appoint by and with the advice and consent of the Senate an assistant to the Attorney General with compensation at the rate of \$7,000 per annum, and also an assistant attorney genera, at a compensation of \$5,000 per annum. The Attorney General is also authorized to appoint and employ, without reference to the rules and regulations of the civil service, two-confidential clerks, at a salary of \$1.000 each per annum: The salaries of these employes is to be paid out of the \$500,000 appropriated in the legislative appropriation bill to aid the Attorney General in anti-trust prosecutions.

UNDER ADMIRAL EVANS. Commanders Assigned of Philippine

and Chinese Squadrons. Rear Admiral Cooper, senior squadron commander of the Asiatic fleet, has arrived on that station and hoisted his flag on the cruiser Rainbow, which was the flagship of the late Rear Admiral Wildes. The Navy Department is informed that the Rainbow left Hong Kong yesterday for the naval station at Cavite, from which fact it is assumed that Rear Admiral Cooper will be assigned to the command of the Philippine squadron and that Rear Admiral Sterling, who is now under orders to that station, will be assigned to the command of the northern or Chinese squadron. These as-signments are in the jurisdiction of Rear Admiral Evans, commander-in-chief of the

GEN. MANSFIELD RETIRED.

Has Had Over Forty Years' Active Military Service.

Brig. Gen. Samuel M. Mansfield, recently promoted from colonel, Corps of Engineers, was placed on the retired list today on his own application, after more than forty years' service.

Gen. Mansfield entered the Military Academy from Connecticut in July, 1858, and shortly after his graduation in June, 1862, took command of the 24th Connecticut Volunteer Infantry for service in the civil war. Being one of the star graduates, he was assigned to the Corps of Engineers, and reached the grade of colonel in that depart-ment in July, 1898. He has recently been stationed at New York in charge of im-portant river and harbor works in that

SENATOR-ELECT FULTON.

Senator Mitchell Speaks in Highest Terms of Oregon's Recent Choice.

"You inquire what I know about Senatorelect Charles W. Fulton of Oregon," said Senator Mitchell to a Star reporter today. "I know all about Mr. Fulton: have known him personally and intimately for nearly a quarter of a century. He is one of the leading and ablest of the lawvers of Oregon, is in the prime of life, a man of fine presence, a pleasing speaker, able and convincing in debate. He has been for many years a member of the Oregon state senpresident of that body several times. He is a thorough republican and very popular throughout the state. He has a charming fled over his election, as he has been one of my most able and efficient supporters it

NEWS OF THE ALEXANDER. She Was Sighted the Day After Mate Adamson Left Her. 19 19 19 19

Belated news of the naval collier Alexander was received at the Navy Department this morning through a telegram forwarded by the commandant of the New York navy yard from Captain Johanson, master of the bark Record, which has just arrived at Darlen, Ga., from the West In-

Master Johanson says that he sighted the Alexander in lattitude 27 degrees and 7 minutes and longitude 71 degrees and 56 minutes on the 11th instant, with a broken shaft, heading north with staysalis set, and that the captain of the vessel asked to report. It appears from this report that the Alexander was practically in the same locality as she was when left by Mate Adamson on the evening of the 10th instant a few hours after the accident.

Four naval vessels are now in search of the Alexander and navigators of those waters have been requested to keep a sharp lookout for the drifting vessel. Outside of the accident to her machinery she is in good condition, and being well provisioned her captain and crew of thirty men will undoubtedly be able to resist the elements for some time. It is expected that she will be picked up either by a passing steamer or by one of the searching vessels.

GEN. LEONARD WOOD AN LL.D. University of Pennsylvania Confer Degrees Upon a Number.

PHILADELPHIA, February 21.-Washington's birthday was celebrated today by the University of Pennsylvania at the Academy of Music.

Gov. Pennypacker presided and Dr. 8 Welr Mitchell was the orator of the day. His topic was "George Washington in His Letters."

A feature of the event was the conferring of honorary degrees upon the following: Alexander C. Humphreys, president of Stephens Institution, Hoboken, N. J., doctor of science; Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University; Wm. Peterson, Prof. McGilly of University of Montreal, John S. Sargent, the celebrated portrait artist, and Brigadier General Leonard Wood, U. S. A., doctor of laws.

Addresses were made by Gov. Penny-packer and Provost Harrison of the uni-

POWELL INVESTIGATION.

Legislative Committee Probing Charges Against Sergeant-at-Arms. NEWARK, N. J., February 21.-The legislative committee appointed by the house of assembly to hear testimony in relation to

arms of the house, met here today. Powell is accused of having attempted to extort \$250 from the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, pastor of Grace Episcopal Church, for the return of several thousand dollars' worth of vestments which were stolen from the

the charges against Powell, sergeant-at-

vestry of the church. It is alleged that Powell also agreed in return for the money to turn over the

When the charges were brought against Powell both Governor Murphy and Attor-ney General McCarter tried to induce him to resign the office of sergeant-at-arms, but he refused to do so. The legislative committee was then ap-pointed to investigate the charges.

To Incorporate Masonic Organization. The House today passed without opposition a Senate bill to amend the act to incorporate the Masonic Mutual Relief As-sociation of the District of Columbia.

Pacific Squadron Sails for Amapala. The Navy Department has been informed that the Pacific squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Glass, left Acapulco, Mex-

HAD AN OPEN SESSION

A Number of Bills Passed by the Senate.

MORE FILIBUSTERING

MR. QUAY HAS LONG REPORT READ IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Post Office Bill to Be Reported to Senate Monday-The House Considers the Currency.

The Senate resumed its sittings again at 11 o'clock today, with the doors closed, and with Thursday's session still proceeding The presiding officer had scarcely taken his eat when the point of no quorum was made. A sufficient number of senators soon responded and Mr. Morgan was about to proceed with his canal speech, when there was a general request on the part of senators to be allowed to transact some morning business. Senator Cullom vielded to this demand, and it soon became annarent that a very large volume of this business had accumulated. Mr. Collom then moved an open session of an hour for the transaction of legislative business. There was no objection, and, accordingly, twenty minutes after the beginning of the session, the doors were opened.

The hour was given up largely to the introduction of bills and the making of committee reports.

Mr. Quay's Usual Request.

The business had not proceeded far when Mr. Quay rose and said, "I merely rise to make my usual request with, I presume, the usual result, that on Thursday, the 26th of February, a vote be taken on the omnibus statehood bill and all amendments without further debate." Messrs. Depew and Nelson objected simultaneously, and Mr. Quay took his seat with a wave of his hand to Mr. Alger, who had yielded the floor to him.

Bilis were passed as follows: Ceding juris.

diction to the state of Arkansas over lands formerly in Fort Smith reservation; granting consent to erect a water power dam a Mussel Shoals, Alabama, on the Tennessee to the executors of James P. Willett, late postmaster at Washington, D. C., as damages on account of his death, which was caused by falling down an elevator shaft in the post office building; amending the law concerning the holding of real estate by aliens in the territories; authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Arkan-sas river at Moore's Rock, Ark.; extending the time for the construction of a bridge acress the Cumberland river at Carthage, Tenn.; authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to restore to entry public lands seg-regated for reservoirs; authorizing the con-struction of a bridge across Pearl river at Smith's Ferry, Lawrence county, Miss. Mr. Mason gave notice that Monday he would ask the Senate to take up the post office appropriation bill immediately after the disposition of the routine morning busi-

Besumes Executive Session.

The Senate them, on motion of Mr. Cullom, resumed consideration of the Panama canal treaty in executive session.

When the Senate went into executive ses sion for the second time Mr. Quay again took the floor and said that he desired to present to the Senate certain reports, but that he was indisposed, and, therefore, would like to have them read by the clerk. There was no objection and the reading clerk accordingly began the reading of a long report on the question of isthmian canals which Mr. Quay sent up.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

At the opening of the session of the House today Mr. Hemenway (Ind.) asked unaninous consent for the consideration of a bill to exempt from taxation the property of the Daughters of the Revolution in the District of Columbia. Mr. Moon (Tenn.) objected, saying he would continue to object to the consideration of any bill by unanimous con-

Mr. Fowler (N. J.) then moved that the House go into committee of the whole to consider the currency bill, and pending that motion he asked that he control the time for the bill, and Mr. Thayer (Mass.), against it. To this Mr. Bartlett (Ga.) objected, saying there was a difference of opinion on the democratic side concerning this question. When the motion was put Mr. Bartlett made the point of no quorum, and the Speaker having counted the House and finding only 160 members present, directed

a call. The motion was carried, 137 to 95. cordingly the House went into committee, and Mr. Fowler, chairman of the committee on banking and currency, took the floor in

He said that all the secretaries of the treasury and practically all controllers of the currency for the past twenty years and all the students of this subject favored a credit currency, the principle upon which the pending bill was founded. He dwelt at length on the absolute necessity of furnish-ing an elastic currency which could be ex-panded during the crop-moving period.

Arbitration of the Sala Case.

A cablegram has been received at the State Department from Minister Powell at Port au Prince saying that he has arranged with the government of San Domingo for the beginning of the arbitration of the Sala trators are Mr. Frederick Van Dyne, the assistant solicitor of the State Department, and Senor Guachalla, the Bolivian minister

BONA-FIDE CIRCULATION.

The sworn statement below shows that the circulation of The Star is what it is claimed to be. Furthermore, within the city of Washington its circulation is more than double that of any other paper, whether morning or evening, and it is regularly delivered every day, by carriers, to fifteen thousand subscribers who take no other Washington dally paper.

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| TURSDAY, February 17, 1908 | 34,284 |
| FRIDAY, February 20, 1908 | 34,433 |
| Total | |
| Daily average | 35.408 |

I solemnly swear that the above statement represents only the number of copies of THE EVENING STAR circulated during the six secular days ending Friday, February 20, 1903-that is, the number of copies actually soid, delivered, furnished or mailed, for valuable consideration, to bona fide purchasers or subscribers, and that the copies so counted are not returnable to or remain in the office unsold.

J. FLEMING NEWBOLD, Asst. Business Manager. The Evening Star Newspaper Company. Subscribed and sworn to before me thi twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1903. GRENVILLE A. WHITAKER,

Notary Public, D. C.

FICIALS SUGGEST PLAN.

Suggests the Introduction of a Bill at the Present Session of Congress.

The committee appointed by the District Commissioners to formulate a plan for renumbering and describing lots of land in the District outside the city of Washington has submitted its report to the authorities and has suggested the introduction of a bill on the subject at the present session of Congress. The committee consisted of A. B. Duvall, corporation counsel; Henry B. Looker, the District surveyor; W. P. Richards, assistant engineer in charge of assistant essessor. The proposed bill feported by the committee carries an appropriation of \$13,000 for the work involved. It is considered sufficient to provide five sets of taxation and assessment plat books for the county, each of which sets will have to be kept up to date in each office to which it is assigned.

which it is assigned.

It is suggested that a set should be in the special assessment division of the assessor's office, one in the office of the computing engineer, one in the office of the board of assistant assessors, one in the surveyor's office, and finally one additional complete set in the surveyor's office, which shall be brought up to a given date and then kept nviolate as the standard of the new syst of description. The bill proposed by the committee is an amendment to the act of March 3, 1899, "An act to distinctively designate parcels of land in the District of Columbia for purposes of assessment and taxation." The new system of county designation will be accomplished through the following provision in the bill:

"That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorised and directed to give numbers to all the county blocks in said District, formed by the plans of the highway extension now on record in the office of the surveyor of said District and to place said block numbers upon the said records of the highway extension: Provided, That when any such block is composed of two or more contiguous blocks of existing subdivisions, with duplicate lot numbers, the fractional blocks may be distinguished by prefixing appropriate initials of compass points to the new block number, until such time as the duplications of lot numbers cease, when the pre-

The other sections of the bill provide for the preparation of the plat books suggested by the committee. Surveyor Looker adds to the report of the committee that he hopes that some time soon the principle proposed and the large plat books may be made applicable to the city as well as to the county.

NEW SWISS MINISTER.

Mr. Martheray the Successor of Mr. Pioda.

The Swiss legation which for several months has been in charge of Mr. Lardy, is again headed by a minister, Mr. F. H. tu Martheray, the new minister, arriving here yesterday. Arrangements will be made at once for his presentation to President Roosevelt. He succeeds Mr. Pioda, who was transferred to Rome after five years' serv-

Ferdinand H. du Marrheray, the suc-cessor of Dr. J. B. Pioda, was born July 16, 1860, in Farleres, near Rolle, canton of Vaud, Switzerland. He was educated in Lausanne, is a graduate of the University of Geneva and in 1884 was awarded the law diploma by the Law School of Paris. He likewise attended law lectures at university in Francisco and Courses at University in Francisco versities in England and Germany. In 1889 ne entered the service of the Swiss political or, as we call it, the state department, and tion to where repeatedly in the absence of the minister he had charge of the legation. In 1897 he was advanced to be councilor of legation, and in 1901 was where, pending the suspension of diplo-matic relations between Switzerland and Italy, he served his country as representa-tive through the medium of the Belgian legation. He is unmarried, a patron of the arts and sciences and socially popular.

THE VENEZUELAN SITUATION.

Rebels Rushing Arms and Ammunition Into Unguarded Ports.

It is a matter of comment in official circles here that perhaps without intending it. the Germans are aiding the Venezuelan rebels in refusing to return President Castro's ships. Instead it is learned that the German commander has sent word to Caracas that the ships will be turned over to the Venezuelans at Port of Spain, Trinidad Monday afternoon, "and not before."

In the protocol it was provided that all ships should be "returned," and it was certainly the intention of the allies' representatives here that the transfer o fthe vessels should occur in Venezuelan waters where they were captured. The interpretation which the Germans have put upon this article is regarded here by some as petty, but it will not be noticed officially. Instead the State Department will place the gunboat Marietta at the disposal of President Castro

to carry officers and men to Trinidad with which to man his vessels. Meanwhile the revolutionists are import-ing large supplies of arms and ammunition into Coro and other unguarded ports. President Castro has no navy to prevent that and is therefore becoming restive at the German officer's conduct.

It has not been decided whether the United States in the event that President Castro again declares a blockade of the Orinoco will recognize it as effective. This

matter has been a subject of some correspondence between Mr. Russell, the United States charge at Caracas and the officials here but the matter will probably not be decided until Minister Bowen returns to Venezuela.

GEN. LLOYD WEATON ILL.

Threatened With Pneumonia in Hotel at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 21,-General Lloyd Wheaton, U. S. A., recently retired, has been very ill at a hotel here during the

The general, accompanied by his wife, arrived from the east about ten days ago in poor health, as a result of his Philippine

On Monday a severe cold, which he had contracted in the east, developed into an attack of pleurisy, and his temperature rose rapidly to a point where, in his weakened n, it was feared he would be stricken with pneumonia.

For a short time his condition was regarded as very serious, but it is now announced that he has passed the critical stage and

SIX KNOWN DEATHS.

will recover. He is sixty-five years old.

Result of Hotel Holocaust at Cedar Rapids Yesterday. CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, February 21 .-

Two of the injured in the Clifton Hotel fire died today, making a total of six known deaths, as follows: W. A. Mowry, What Cheer, Iowa. E. C. Young, Davenport.

Charles Cook, address unknown.

G. E. Holmes, address unknown. L. C. Burnett, Nebraska City, Neb. Dr. G. S. Groves, Cedar Rapids. The two last-named were among the injured and died within two hours of each other early this morning.

Twenty workmen are still searching the debris, and it is expected two additional bodies will be found.

Of the forty-two injured all the re-mainder, with the possible exceptions of Miss Burns, head waitress, Conductor P. Strickland and B. F. Taylor, are expected

TERENTIAL.

Development of Smallpox Without Mr. John R. McLean's Proposition Known Origin a Source of Uneasi-Bess to Health Office.

The development of nine cases of small-pox in this city-since January 1, traceable to no common origin, is occasioning some uneasiness at the health department. So ong as there are reasonable grounds for believing that known cases of smallpox have originated from some case or cases already in quarantine it is not difficult to predict the course of the outbreak with approximate certainty. When, however, cases cannot be traced

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street extensions, and S. T. Kalbfus, first to other cases already known to exist, but spring up from unknown sources, and especially when under such conditions they occur in different sections of the city, the inference is that there have been and possibly still are patients at large suffering from smallpox. Against cases of this character it is next to impossible for the health

department to protect the community.

The department feels that the community should thoroughly understand the situation, and that it should understand further that each individual in the community can protect himself by being efficiently vaccinated. The sufficiency of vaccination as a preventive The sumclency of vaccination as a preventive continues to be demonstrated, it is said, by the occurrence of cases of smallpox in this city elmost altogether among those who have never been successfully vaccinated, the occasional exception being the case of smallpox in a person vaccinated a long time before.

Confers Complete Immunity. A successful vaccination, as a rule, it is declared, confers complete immunity against smallpox for a limited time. Such immunity may, however, in exceptional instances be but partial even from the beginning and patients having but partial immunity are those in whom cases of varioold occur. Whether the immunity conferred by a single vaccination is or is not complete at any particular time can be determined, and, if it is not complete, a complete immunity can be secured by revaccination.

If immunity .s complete any number of vaccinations can be performed and none of them will take. If immunity is partial vacclinations will continue to take until susceptibility to smallpox is exhausted mer words, a patient who will not take smallpox cannot be successfully vaccinated and a patient who can be successfully vaccinated is liable to take smallpox.
"Too often," said Health Officer Woodward today, "people imagine that they have been successfully vaccinated because after the operation of vaccination they suffer from some arms.

from sore arms. Many, probably almost all, of the very sore arms that follow vaccination, and which are commonly regarded as particu-larly good "takes," and as insuring complete protection against smallpox, are not vaccination sores at all, and a certain num-ber of them have no protecting power. They are simply ulcerating wounds due to lack of cleanliness on the part of the vaccinator or patient in connection with the act of vaccinating, or with the subsequent care of the abraded arm.

Pure Vaccine Virus.

"The vaccine virus on the market at the present time is carefully prepared and is, it is believed, in most cases not responsible for such results. Bad results are due rather to the carrying of objectionable material into the wound with the instrument used for scarifying the arm through failure to cleanse the instrument or the arm before vaccination or through failure to protect the arm and to keep it clean after the oper-

"With precautions on these points there is no reason under any ordinary conditions why vaccinations should result even in any considerable inconvenience to the patient, and, as stated before, it is a certain protection against smallook if properly done and repeated until it no longer takes."

DR. DUNCAN ACQUITTED.

Shooting Bruce Head With Felonious Intent. PITTSBURG, Pa., February 21.-Dr. Ellis

Duncan of Louisville, Ky., was found not guilty of the charge of shooting Bruce Head with felonious intent. The jury rendered a sealed verdict last

night, after being out four hours, and when court opened at 9:30 o'clock this morning it was read by Judge Frazier. Dr. Duncan was at once discharged from

That the verdict was a popular one was shown by the fact that when the announcement was made that the defendant had beacquitted it was greeted with cheers and a loud clapping of hands. Many Congratulations.

This was quickly suppressed by the court

congratulations from friends and strangers. He had a smile on his face, and showed an air of intense relief that the ordeal was

He said he would not discuss his family affairs, and in inded to pursue the same policy of silence that he had always maintained, except when compelled to testify. He will depart for home tonight.

MR. BRYAN TALKS.

Reiterates That He Will Not Be a Candidate. Mr. Bryan will address the students of

Georgetown University School of Law this evening at 7:30 o'clock on the subject "The Value of an Ideal." To a representative of The Star Mr.

Bryan sald this morning: "While I have tried to make it as emphatic as possible that I will not again be the presidential candidate of the democratic party, I am firmly convinced that during this generation no man will be selected to carry the basser who is not fully and completely identified with the platforms of the democratic party on which the campaigns of 1896 and 1900 were fought. I feel that the majority of the democratic party favors beyond question the platform adopted at Kansas City, and I cannot see how the minority who opposed the plat-form and boiledicsarin any way expect to control the name democratic national con-

"I do not care to say anything about the

"I do not carricto say anything about the different persons who are being boomed throughout the country, but the man selected with sursection to the Kansas City platform in the even detail.

"The republicans seem to be waking up in Delaware and opposing the purchase of a seat in the Benate for Addicks. If they will apply this same policy to the presidential campaign, and not allow the rest to buy the presidency the party will be in much better apple in the eyes of the people. "Democrats are always hopeful and work for a principle rather than for gain. This is the true democracy, and most finally win on merit. You are

DECIDED TO CEASE WORK.

Holland Railroad Employes' Method of Killing Obnoxious Bill. AMSTERDAM, February 21.-The railroad employes of Holland have decided to cease work, with the object of preventing the adoption of the proposed law prohibiting railroad strikes.

A meeting of the leaders of the workmen's unions, having a membership of 90,000, has resolved to support the railroad men, the date of whose strike has not yet been announced.

Escaped in Her Night Clothes.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.
SUFFOLK, Va., February 21.—The resi-There was no meeting today of the conferees on the District bill, and probably will not be until the middle of next week.

RENUMBERING LOTS VACCINATION URGED THE OFFER WITHDRAWN BIDS WERE TOO LARGE CORNER STONE LAID

PANY STOCKHOLDERS.

Discussed — Gossip Regarding

Financial Institutions.

stockholders as might wish to sell within

per share, and that he would further as-

John R. McLean, dated the 12th instant, withdrawing the offer above outlined. It was further stated in the circular that act-

ing upon the advice of counsel the execu-tive committee of the board of directors

to whom this proposition has been referred reported that it could not be fegally ac-

Subject of Gossip.

ENTERTAINED HIS OLD FOE.

Miles.

on at their residence this afternoon in

honor of Chief Joseph of the Nez Perces. The

old Indian warrior was accompanied by two

chieftains of his tribe, who came to Wash-

ington with him to induce "the great white

were invited to meet the aborigines.

retreat in that exciting campaign star

in the far northwest country.

When Gen. Miles received the surrender of Chief Joseph's hand he was attired in an

immense bearskin overcoat, and on tha

account he has since been known of the tribe as "Great Bear Coat." After Chief Joseph closed his business with President Roosevelt a few days ago, he said he would

not return to his reservation until he had seen "the great bear coat chief." He called

on Gen. Miles at the army headquarters yesterday afternoon, and the two veterans

friends.

\$1,000,000, are being taken.

COMMITTEE OF DISTRICT OF HEALTH OFFICE REGARDS IT AS GIRCULAR TO SAFE DEPOSIT COM- EXCEEDED APPROPRIATION FOR FILTRATION PLANT.

> Congress Will Probably Be Asked to Come to the Rescue of

the District.

The stockholders of the National Safe De-The two bids for the entire construction posit, Savings and Trust Company today of the proposed filtration plant of the Disreceived a circular signed by the president, trict of Columbia, submitted yesterday t Lieut, Col. A. H. Miller, Corps of Engi-neers, A. S. A., in charge of the Washing-Thomas R. Jones, informing them of the proposition submitted under date of Januton aquaduct, are not within the appropria ary 19 by Mr. John R. McLean, which was tion for the work, and, as a result. Washin effect that the capital stock of the comington will not have a new system of filtrapany be increased to \$2,000,000 and that the 10,000 shares of new stock be sold to him tion as soon as was originally expected and it is thought that Congress will be at \$120 per share. It was further proposed by Mr. McLean that he would purchase

asked to come to the rescue. The appropriation for the filtration plant within thirty days after the date of such is \$1,858,173. The bids for the entire work were from Harmer & Quinn Construction increase and sale the holdings of such Company and the D. J. McNichol Company, both of Philadelphia, and were far in excess of the appropriation, being \$1,967,183, and \$2,130,710, respectively. the period of one year at the rate of \$160 sign to the company the lease and privi-leges of the old Riggs Bank property.

The circular includes a letter from Mr.

In accounting for the size of the bids. Colonel Miller stated this morning that since the estimates for the work were made prices for materials used in the construction of filtration plants have increased from 20 to 25 per cent. Colonel Miller has submitted his report upon the bids to General Gillespie, chief of engineers of the arms, to whom all such matters are referred for his consideration.

cepted and carried out. It is also stated that the circular is sent to the stockholders In view of the fact that the price of ma-terials has increased so much it is under-stood that Colonel Miller, in his report to in order that they may be correctly in-formed of the facts. the War Department, has recommended that Congress be asked to appropriate additional funds for the proposed plant.

Despite this state of affairs, Col. Miller is extremely hopeful, and in reply to an inquiry said he thought that his expectations relative to the plant would be ultimately realized. Under the provisions of the spec-As the withdrawal of the offer made by Mr. McLean on the 12th Instant left no proposition pending relative to the old Riggs Bank property, it is the general street gossip that active steps are being taken by Mr. McLean and those interested with him to

relative to the plant would be ultimately realized. Under the provisions of the specifications, under which the bids were submitted yesterday, the plant must be completed and ready to be turned over to the government by December 31, 1904.

It is a matter of some conjecture as to whether the plant can be finished by that time. The fact that the ression of Congress is nearing a close also makes the outorganize a new trust company, which will occupy a building to be erected on the site of the old Riggs Bank building. It is furthermore rumored that subscriptions to the capital stock of the proposed company, gress is nearing a close also makes the out-look dark. Another bit of gossip which is circulating in local financial circles is to the effect that there is a movement to bring about a con-solidation of the Metropolitan and Citizens' National Banks, both of which institutions

It is however, thought that General Gillespie will confer with other War Depart-ment officials regarding the bids and will make an effort to take the matter before Congress. If he is successful the plant can, it is said, be finished on schedule time.

Bids for special lines of work were also received from Talty & Ailen, Thomas Somare located side by side on 15th street between F and G streets. It is stated, however, by those interested in both institutions that the gossip is without foundation. erville & Sons, Potomac Terra Cotta Com-pany, Edward G. Gummel, the Brennan Construction Company, Charles G. Smith & Sons, L. E. Smoot, all of this city; Camden Iron Works, Camden, N. J.; B. Wallis & Co., Baltimore, Md.; United States Cast Iron Pipe and Foundry Company, Philadel-phis, Pa.; R. M. Evans of Philadelphia, Pa. Chief Joseph the Guest of Lieut. Gen. Lieut. Gen. and Mrs. Miles gave a lunch-

ADDS TO HOLDINGS.

D. A. B. Will Acquire more Ground for Memorial Hall.

The Daughters of the American Revolufather' (President Roosevelt) to permit tion yesterday afternoon held one of the them to end their days on their reservalargest board meetings in the history of the tion, from which they are being gradually organization. Many delegates and members forced off by the encroachments of the of the National Continental Congress are palefaces. Several ladies and gentlemen now in the city, and therefore the meeting Time makes great changes. In 1877 Gen.
Miles headed the gallant band that followed
Chief Joseph and his tribesmen on the warpath for nearly one thousand miles over the was one of great interest. The principal business transacted was in regard to adding to the holdings of the organization for the purposes of its continental memorial hall.
The national society now owns more than a
quarter of a block of ground. At the meeting it was decided to purchase another
quarter of a block, which gives the Daugh-Bad Lands of the wild northwest country, and finally forced them to surrender to superior forces, but not without several severe fights, in which many were killed and wounded on both sides. Chief Joseph's ters more than half a block. The reports from the officers who will attend the national congress show that widespread interout in the history of all Indian wars as a est is taken in the memorial hall, and that the contributions for that purpose which will be handed in by the delegates next week will be yeary much levers in any wonderful achievement, as his warriors were handicapped throughout their long march by the presence of their squaws and children. Their final capitulation was due in a measure to the rigors of a hard winter

than ever before.

The Manor House Chapter, Mrs. M. A. Ballenger, regent, will entertain the visit-ing Daughters of the American Revolution at a reception in the Riggs House. The na-tional society, by invitation of the librarian of Congress, will visit the Congressional of Congress, will visit the Congressional Library on Monday evening. All arrange-ments are completed for the Continental Congress, which will open Monday morning at 10 o'clock, Mrs. Fairbanks, president general, presiding,

Change of Venue Bill Passed.

Miscellaneous Stocks.—Greene Con. Copper Company, 24% bid, 23% saked. Washington Market 16% bid, 23 asked. Norfolk and Washington Steam boat, 210 bid. Reality Appraisal and Agency Company, 20 bid.

Raltimore Markets.

BAI/TIMORE, Md., February 21.—Flour steady, unchanged; receipts, 6,650 barrels; exports, none. Wheat firmer; spot and February, 80%26%; March, 80%261; May, 81%261%; steamer No. 2 red, 75%2 75%; receipts, 2,657 bushels; exports, none; southern by sample, 78251; southern on grade, 76251. Corn strong; spot and February, 54%264%; March, 63%26534; April, 52%2652%, May, 51%261%; steamer mixed, 52%2652%; receipts, 90,853 bushels; exports, none; southern white and yellow corn, 45254, Oats dull and easy; No. 2 white, 42% non-inal; No. 2 mixed, 41241%; receipts, 13,215 bushels; exports, none. Rye firm; No. 2, 57%258; No. 2 western, local, 60, sales; receipts, 2,841 bushels; exports, none. Hay firm, unchanged. Grain freights quiet and steady, unchanged. Butter firm and higher; fancy imits, and steady, unchanged. Butter firm and higher; fancy imits, and steady, unchanged. Butter firm and higher; fancy imits.

Grain and Cotton Markets.

Open. High. Low. . . 9.81 9.90 9.79

CHICAGO, February 21.—Grain:
Open. Hig
Wheat May 778 78
July 74 74
Corn-May 45% 45%
July 44%
Oats May 38 36
July 82% 88%

had a pleasant chat over old times in the lava beds. As the grim old warrior was leaving, Gen. Miles invited him to call at change of venue bill, which nearly caused his residence today and see Mrs. Miles, and a rlot in the senate Wednesday night, has he did so. The old enemies are now great passed that body. The house passed a bill appropriating \$25,000 for a Montana exhibit at the St. Louis exposition.

THREE DESERTERS DROWNED. Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Regular call, 12 o'clock noon—Capital Traction, 10 at 1294. Washington Savings Bank, 10 at 1024, 5 at 1024. Riggs Fire Insurance Co., 50 at 84, 50 at 9, 5 at 84. Washington Gas, 25 at 80. Mergenthaler Linotype, 10 at 1834, 10 at 1834, 10 at 1834, 10 at 244, 100 at 244, 100 at 244, 100 at 244, 100 at 244, 50 at 244, 100 at 244, 100 at 244, 100 at 244, 50 at 25, 50 at 244, 100 at 1084, \$5,000 at 108 Washington Stock Exchange. Boat in Which They Were Rowing to Shore Struck on Reef. Pactfic Cable

HONOLULU, February 21.-Seven sailors deserted from the brig Geneva last night and attempted to row ashore in a small boat.

Only four of the men have since been heard from, and it is believed that the others were drowned. The men who deserted are Frank Hutcheson, George Dopman, J. Gilles, James Bryant, James Kelly, James Davie and George

Their boat was broken by striking on a reef and four men were seen to come They are in hiding, and it is not known who were drowned.

Parlor Matches Tabooed. A bill was introduced in the House today

by Mr. Goldfogle of New York making it unlawful after June 30 next to keep or store parior matches in any government building. A fine of \$250 is provided as the penalty for violating the provisions of the bill.

Ballots at Dover.

DOVER, Del., February 21.-The senatorial ballot taken by the legislature today was merely perfunctory, all but four of the members being paired and absent. It resulted as follows:

Long term—Addicks, 2; J. Wilkins Cooch Short term-Addicks, 2; John W. Causey

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The advertisements for help published in today's Star on page 12 are as follows: 12 1 1 1 1 1 1

MALE

Chambe Clerks Nurse Skirt hands Waist band

FEMALE

This interests every one who wants a good situation. : : : : : :

Imposing Ceremonies at Site

PROGRAM IN DETAIL

TINGUISHED PARTY PRESENT. Addresses by the President, Secretary

Root, Gen. Young and Others

-Troops in Line.

PRÈSIDENT ROOSEVELT AND DIS-

of Army War College.

In the presence of the President of the United States, the members of his cabinet, the commanding general of the army, the admiral of the navy and the diplomatic representatives of almost every nation on earth, the corner stone of the Army War College was laid this afternoon at 12:45 o'clock, with solemn ceremony, by the grand master of the Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M., of the District of Columbia: The ceremony signalized the beginning of the work that is to be carried on for the betterment of the army and the thorough instruction of its officers. The President, the Secretary of War and the president of the board that will manage the affairs of the institution spoke of the work that is to be done in the army and of the proud position the army

They called attention to the fact that the establishment of an army war college is no new thought, but that for generations the men who have held the reins of government over the fighting forces of the country ment over the fighting forces of the country have urged the establishment of just such an institution and have done all they could to bring about its organization.

Close to the speakers as the praises of the army were being sung were the representatives of the highest legisla-tive bodies in the land and the accred-ited ministers of foreign powers. The mili-tary ceremonies preceding and following the laying of the corner stone were impresthe laying of the corner stone were impressive in the extreme and the program that had been arranged was carried out with clock-like precision.

The state of the weather was the only thing that was inauspicious throughout the ceremony. Clouds gathered overhead and

threatened to pour forth a deluge of rain at every moment. A chill wind blew in from the river and set the occupants of the grand stands shivering.

The constant drlp, drlp of the water which poured from the roofs of surrounding buildings and fell over the grand stand on the stone paving below furnished the only dismal sound that disturbed the ceremony. The men who participated in the exercises were too much impressed with

the importance of the occasion to pay at-tention to these matters, however, and the state of the weather lent even a more im-pressive air to the various functions that form the conventional ritual of a corner

Where Stone is Laid.

The corner stone of the Army War College was laid in an obscure portion of the southeast corner of the reservation. It is within two hundred yards of the It is within two hundred yards of the river, and is at present hidden from view by a group of old buildings, which served as storehouses and stables for the artiflery forces which garrisoned the post for many years and which are now being used as storehouses and offices by the engineer corps. The corner where the stone was laid is reached by a narrow alley way from the main road, running along the east side of the reservation. Two stands were built. One, smaller than the other, was com-One, smaller than the other, was con-structed around the corner stone, and on this the President and distinguished guests in the two sides of the open space between the end of one building, and the side of another, surrounding two sides of the Presi-

dent's stand.

Those on the President's stand were the President, Secretary Root, Secretary Moody, Secretary Hay, Secretary Wilson, Attorney General Knox, Secretary Hitchcock, Secretary Shaw, Secretary Cortelyou, Admiral Dewey, Lieut. Gen. Miles, Major Gen. S. M. B. Young, president of the War College; Assistant Secretary Sanger, Sanger, Sanger, Haw-Assistant Secretary Sanger, Senator Haw-ley, chairman of the Senate committee on military affairs; Representative J. A. T. Hull of Iowa, chairman of the House com-mittee on military affairs; Senator Altison, chairman of the Senate committee on ap-propriations; Representative Cannon, chair-HELENA, Mont., February 21 .- The propriations; Representative Cannon, chairman of the House committee on appropriations; Senator Frye, president pro tempore of the Senate, Speaker Henderson of the House of Representatives, Senator Cockrell, Senator Wetmore, Senator Aldrich, Adjutant General Corbin, Major General Adna R. Chaffee, commander of the department of the east; General Bliss. General Carter, Captain Cowles, U. S. N.; Colonel Carter, Captain Cowles, U. S. N.; Colonel Theo. A. Bingham, Major Abbott, Major Green, Major Beach, Captain Patrick, Mr. George W. Walker, grand master of the Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M. of the District of Columbia: Messrs. Mead and McKim. the architects of the building, Right Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee, bishop of Washington, and Brigadier General Geo. L. Gillespie, in the other stand. charge of the exercises. On the other stand were the invited guests, including mem-bers of the House and Senate, the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia F. A. A. M., the personal guests of the President, the officers of the army, the commanding general and staff of the District of Colum-97 bid. Anacostia and Potomac 5s, 97 bid. The Washington Railway and Electric 4s, 80% bid, 80% asked.

Miscellaneous Bonds—Washington Gas Co. 6s, series A, 109 bid. Washington Gas Co. 6s, series B, 100 bid. U. S. Electric Light Deb. Imp. 6s, 108% bid, 108 asked. U. S. Electric Light Cert. Indebt. 6s, 106% bid. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone 5s, 105% bid, 196 asked. Washington Market Co. 1st 6s, 108% bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 104 bid. American Graphophone Deb. 5s, 95 bid. 8afe Deposit and Trust Stocks—National Safe Deposit and Trust, 213 bid, 217 asked. American Security and Trust, 213 bid, 217 asked. American Security and Trust, 215 bid, 220 asked. Washington Safe Deposit, 45 bid. Union Trust and Storage, 109 bid, 109% asked. Washington Railway and Electric Co. Com., 10 bid, 12% asked.

National Bank Stocks—Capital Traction Co., 129% bid, 129% asked. The Washington Railway and Electric Co. Com., 10 bid, 12% asked.

National Bank Stocks—Bank of Washington, 400 bid, 450 asked. Metropolitan, 715 bid, 775 asked. Central, 300 bid. Farmers and Mechanics', 300 bid. Second, 160 bid. Citizens', 188 bid, 200 asked. Columbia, 195 bid. Capital, 170 bid. West End. 140 bid, 148 asked. Traders', 140 bid, 155 asked. Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 27 bid. Franklin, 50 bid, 55 asked. Metropolitan, 75 bid, 90 asked. Arlington, 32 bid, 35 asked. German-American, 280 bid, 304 asked. National Union, 7% bid, 9 asked. Octombia, 11 bid, 12 asked. Riggs, 700 bid. Traders', 140 bid, 155 asked. Corcoran, 72 bid. Potomac, 62 bid, 67 asked. Tritle Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 27 bid. Franklin, 50 bid, 55 asked. National Union, 7% bid, 9 asked. Octombia, 11 bid, 12 asked. Riggs, 8% bid, 9 asked. People's, 6% bid, 7 asked. Commercial, 5 bid. Colonial, 97 bit, 108 asked. George Compensed and Graphophone Stocks.—Washington Gas, 79% bid, 5 asked. George compensed. Stocks.—Washington Gas, 79% bid, 50% asked. George compensed. Stocks.—Washington Market, 10% asked. George compensed. American Graphophone pdd., 3% bid, 24% asked. Washington M

bia militia, and the architects and the

The Diplomatic Corps. The members of the diplomatic corps, headed by the new French ambassador, occupied a portion of the larger stand, facing the President, where were also seated the President's three younger children, in the care of Civil Service Commissioner Procter. To the right of them were the District Commissioners and the justices of the District of Columbia Supreme Court. Hehind the Commissioners were the heads of the staff department of the army and the sub-ordinate officers of the various departments. The corner stone was suspended by a heavy cable in the center of the President's stand. The stone was of gray sandstone, and weighed six tons. It came from the quarries of Norcross & Bros., the contracters who erected the addition to the White

During the ceremonies that preceded the actual laying of the corner stone the members of the Grand Lodge of the Masonic Order of the District remained standing in front of the President's stand. The stands

front of the President's stand. The stands were covered with white bunting and draped with American flags.

The guests began to arrive as early as 11 o'clock and gathered slowly about the far corner of the reservation where the ceremonies were to take place. The 4th Field Battery, commanded by Capt. Foote, was drawn up in battery front on the plat to the left of the entrance to the reservation. In the parade ground was a provisio

In the parade ground was a provisional regiment including the engineer battalion, a company of signal corps, a company of the 8th Infantry, the 106th Company of Coast Artiflery, a detachment of the ordnance department and a detachment of the Hospital Gorps, the whole being commanded by Maj. Wm. Black of the Engineer Corps. After the military had been formed the Meanic hodies arrived and passed in ed by Maj. Wm. Black of the Engineer Corps. After the military had been formed the Masonic bodies arrived and passed in front and were saluted by the soldiers.

This delegation included Washington Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar, commanded by Eminent Commander Fred Behrens, which acted as escort to the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. The commandery was preceded by the 2d Cavalry Band. The members of the Grand Lodge followed in carriages. The Masonic bodies had hardly reached the site of the War College before the first gun of the President's salute boomed forth signaling the approach of Mr. Roosevelt and his party.

party.

The President was secorted from the White House by Troop F of the 2d Cavalry, commanded by Capt. Lioyd M. Brett. Two non-commissioned officers rode at the head of the horses of the President's carriage. The President was accompanied by Secretary Root, Secretary Losb and Col. Theodore A. Bingham. He was received by Gen. Gillespia and the officers associated with him in the arrangements for the seremonies.

A line of soldiers representing all arms of the service with arms at present was formed from the carriage to the grand stand, through which the presidential party passed. As soon as the President reached

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